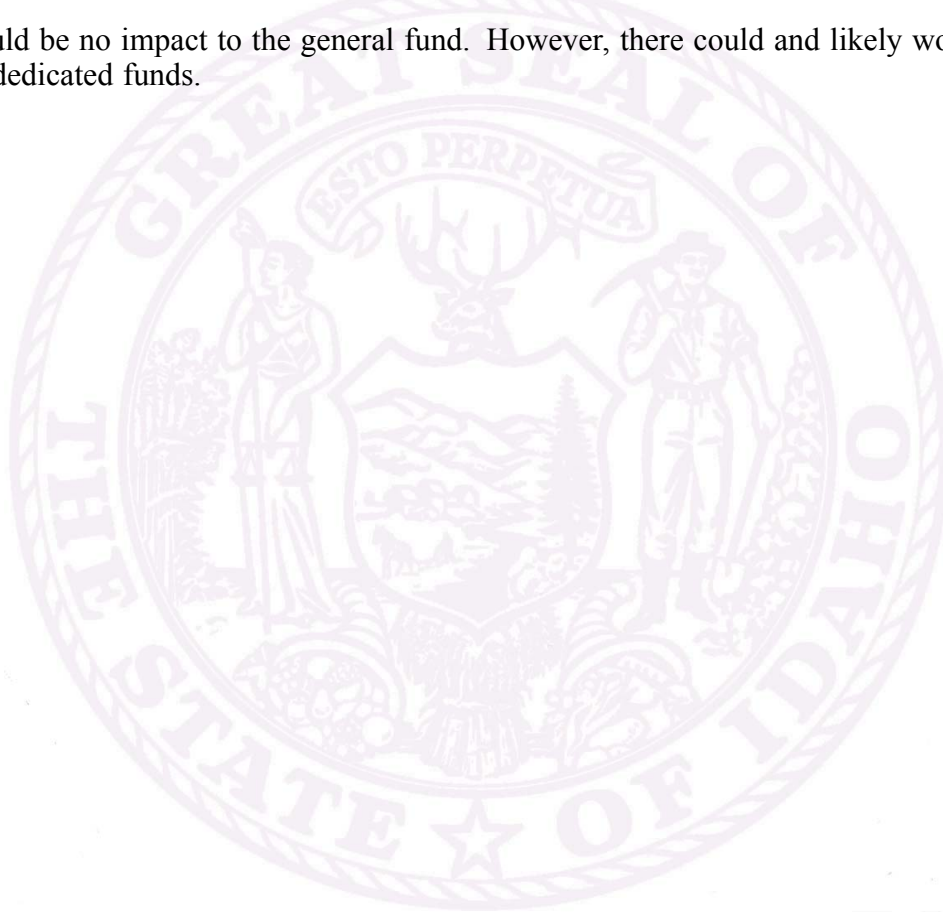


**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE****RS22535**

This legislation would require any department, public subdivision, or an agency seeking condemnation of an owner's property via eminent domain proceeding to compensate the property owner for expenses and fees related to defending themselves against such action and to be awarded by a court of proper jurisdiction, fees and expenses related to the defense of the legal action pending against them. Said fees and expenses could be awarded by the court at such time as the project plans may be amended from time to time during the litigation seeking condemnation of the owner's property or access thereto. The effective date would be July 1, 2014.

**FISCAL NOTE**

There should be no impact to the general fund. However, there could and likely would be fiscal impact to dedicated funds.

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